

State of Washington Department of Transportation Notice to Consultants On-Call Noise & Air Quality Services Related to Engineering Projects

Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) solicits interest from consultants interested in submitting a Statement of Qualifications to provide On-Call Noise & Air Quality Services Related to Engineering Projects. WSDOT may award two (2) or more agreements for approximately \$1,000,000 each. Each agreement will be for three (3) years in duration.

Project Descriptions

Assist the department in meeting environmental obligations on transportation projects relating to engineering. For noise, the department is required by 23CFR772/FHWA, FTE Noise Guidance, Federal Rail Administration noise requirements, and WAC 173-60 & 62. For air quality we have obligations under 40CFR93/US EPA & FHWA, WAC 173-420, to assess a project's impacts on the environment.

This work would entail noise modeling using TNM, air quality modeling using Mobile6.2 and CAL3CHQ. It requires an understanding of how to interpret traffic data as it applies to noise and air quality studies. It requires field measurements for noise using a Type II or better calibrated sound level meter. It requires expertise in the application of Washington State Noise Policy. It requires organized write-up of air quality and noise reports prepared in a reader-friendly format consistent with the Governor's executive order 05-03 regarding plain talk, technical memos and other communication to describe the findings of the noise and air quality studies. It requires the ability of analysts to communicate their findings in public forums and contentious project related circumstances/public meetings. Work may include other air quality and noise related work products as needed (e.g., assessing noise impact affect areas for wildlife).

Evaluation Criteria

Pursuant to state and federal regulations, a qualifications-based selection process will be used to select a consultant for each of these projects. The following information and criteria will be used to evaluate and rank responses:

- 1. Qualifications/Expertise of Firms on Team;
- 2. Qualifications of Proposed Project Manager(s);
- 3. Key Team Members Qualifications (Prime Consultant and Sub-Consultants);
- 4. Firm's Project Management System (Prime Consultant Only);
- 5. References/Past Performances (Prime Consultant Only);

The link to the definitions and point value for each of the proposed criteria may be found on the first page of this advertisement web site.

NOTE: It is imperative that the consultant reviews the definitions of the scoring criteria. We have included requirements and/or limitations for the information that is being requested. All scoring criteria will be rated on a scale of 0 (Low) to 20 (High.)



Submittal Process

Consultants are invited to submit their Statement of Qualifications at their own cost. WSDOT assumes no obligation of any kind for expenses incurred by any respondent to this solicitation. The submittal is limited to a total maximum number of twenty-five (25) sheets submitted only on single sided (single sided meaning one side only of a single sheet of paper) typed 8.5" x 11" paper (if charts and/or graphs are utilized text must be a readable size font), and with type size no smaller than 12 point.

Your Statement of Qualifications must be broken into two (2) separate packets. Your Statement of Qualifications "Packet A" must consist of:

Your responses to scoring Criteria 1 through 4.

Your Statement of Qualifications "Packet B" must consist of:

- Your letter of transmittal;
- Your response to scoring criteria 5; and
- Your Submittal Information forms for both the Prime Consultant and all proposed Sub-Consultants.

The page limitation does not apply to the front and back covers of "Packet A" and all of "Packet B."

The Statement of Qualifications shall meet the following requirements or will be deemed non-responsive and will not be eligible for consideration of this work:

- Title of the Request for Qualifications, and your firm clearly identified on the cover of the submittal Packets "A" and "B", and the letter of transmittal;
- Statement of Qualifications broken into "Packet A" and "Packet B" as indicated above;
- Responsive to all evaluation criteria;
- Meeting page limitations and font size requirements; and
- Meeting submittal deadline submission date.

Materials submitted in response to this competitive procurement shall become the property of WSDOT and will not be returned. All submittals received will remain confidential until WSDOT and the successful Consultants sign the agreements resulting from this advertisement. All submittals are deemed public records as defined in the RCW 42.17.250 to 42.250.340.

Faxed or e-mailed submittals will not be accepted. Four (4) copies of your "Packet A" and one (1) copy of "Packet B", whether mailed or hand-delivered, must arrive at the following address no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, June 30, 2006.

Director, Consultant Services Washington State Department of Transportation 7345 Linderson Way SW Tumwater, WA 98501-6504





Note: Please be aware that if you mail your submittal utilizing the United States Postal Service (USPS), an additional two (2) working days will be added to the delivery time due to the fact that all State Agency mail must go through an internal Campus Mail system first before it reaches its final destination. Submittals mailed via USPS must account for this added delivery time in order for the submittal to reach the Consultant Services office by the due date and time.

Any questions regarding the submittal process should be directed to the Consultant Services Office, at 360-705-7104. Any technical questions should be directed to Joseph J. Witczak, at 360-705-7479.

The department has an overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal. The DBE goal for participation will be obtained through a combination race-neutral/race-conscience means as outlined in WSDOT's "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Plan." The department encourages disadvantaged, minority, and women-owned consultant firms to respond.

Persons with disabilities may request this information be prepared and supplied in alternate formats by calling collect 206-389-2839. Persons with hearing impairments may call 1-800-833-6388 (Washington State Telecommunications Relay Service) and ask for 206-515-3683.

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